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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/734,156
Filing Date	12/11/2000
First Named Inventor	Klosiewicz et al.
Group Art Unit	1713
Examiner Name	Bernard Lipman
Attorney Docket Number	71471

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000), Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply 05/19/2004 HAL111 00000021 050221 09734156
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:1801 770.00 DA
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other Extension of Time Request Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) (3) - 2 Months

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 05-0221
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) - \$770.00
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) - \$420.00
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Signature	<u>Polly C. Owen</u>	Date	5/13/04

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Docket: 71471

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

Klosiewicz et al. Confirmation No.: 4217
Serial No.: 09/734,156 Group Art Unit: 1713
Filed: December 11, 2000 Examiner: Bernard Lipman
For: THERMALLY POLYMERIZED COPOLYMERS MADE FROM STYRENE
AND DICYCLOPENTADIENE MONOMERS

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Reply Under 37 CFR § 1.116
INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir,

An Amendment After Final was filed on July 31st, 2003, however, it appears that it was not entered based on the PAIR database. Furthermore, the file for this case was lost at the USPTO from about July, 2003 until the Notice of Appeal filed on January 28th, 2004 was entered. Please enter this Amendment After Final into the record as a submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c).

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration or further examination of the claimed invention and consideration of the remarks herein.